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Office of Design Policy & Support

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Fannin County / GDOT District 6 - Cartersville
CR38/Shallowford Bridge Rd @ Toccoa River Bridge Replacement

FROM: *for* *Dane Peters*
R. Christopher Rudd, PE, State Design Policy Engineer

TO: SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: APPROVED LOCATION & DESIGN REPORT

Attached is the approved Location and Design Report with Notice of Location & Design Approval for the above subject project.

Attachment

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Location and Design Report

DATE: 7/22/2019

FILE: P.I.# 0014167
Fannin County / GDOT District 6 - Cartersville
CR 38/ Shallowford Bridge Road at Toccoa River
Bridge Replacement

FROM: Kimberly W. Nesbitt, State Program Delivery Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K. Nesbitt', followed by the word 'for'.

TO: Brent Story, State Design Policy Engineer
Attn: Dave Peters, State Conceptual Design Group Manager

SUBJECT: Request for Location and Design Approval

Description and Project Proposal: The proposed project would replace the existing truss bridge on CR 38 (Shallowford Bridge Road) over Toccoa River. The project is located approximately 9.4 miles south of Blue Ridge, GA in Fannin County.

The project begins at the intersection of CR 38 and Shallowford Bridge Lane and continues east approximately 252 feet to the intersection with Aska Road. Total project length is approximately 252 feet. This project would replace the existing bridge with a new truss bridge offset approximately 150 feet south (downstream) of the existing bridge; and therefore, will not require an offsite detour. The proposed bridge typical section consists of two 9-foot lanes with a 2-foot shoulder on the left side and an 11-foot 6-inch shoulder (10-foot sidewalk on the right side). The Benton MacKaye Trail crosses the existing bridge and will be relocated to the new bridge. Fannin County requested to retain the existing truss bridge in its current location. Construction duration is expected to be 15 months.

Concept Approval Date: September 7, 2018.

Concept Update: N/A

Environmental Document: This project is receiving federal funds and is therefore required to have an approved NEPA document. The NEPA Categorical Exclusion is being evaluated and is pending approval.

Document Type: NEPA - CE Approval Date: [March 31, 2020](#)

County: Fannin

Public Involvement:

- A Public Information Open House was held on January 15, 2019 at the Fannin County Senior Center; Blue Ridge, GA.
- A total of 85 people attended the open house. The following public official(s) attended: Stan Helton (County Commissioner).
- Of the 103 respondents who formally commented in person, by mail, or email, (102 of whom expressed whether or not they supported the project): 16 were in support of the project, 32 were opposed, 1 was uncommitted, and 53 expressed conditional support. Comments were mainly concerned with the location of the new bridge, the possibility of repurposing the existing bridge as a pedestrian bridge, existing seasonal traffic congestion issues, and possible impacts of the project on local businesses.
- No significant changes were made to the project based solely on the comments.

Consistency with Approved Planning: The design description as presented herein and submitted for approval is consistent with the approved Concept Report.

Recommendations: Recommend that the location and design for the project be approved and that the attached Notice be approved for advertising.

Concur: _____

Hind Ruzel
GDOT Director of Engineering

Approve: _____

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GDOT Chief Engineer10/17/2019
Date**DATE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL:** _____

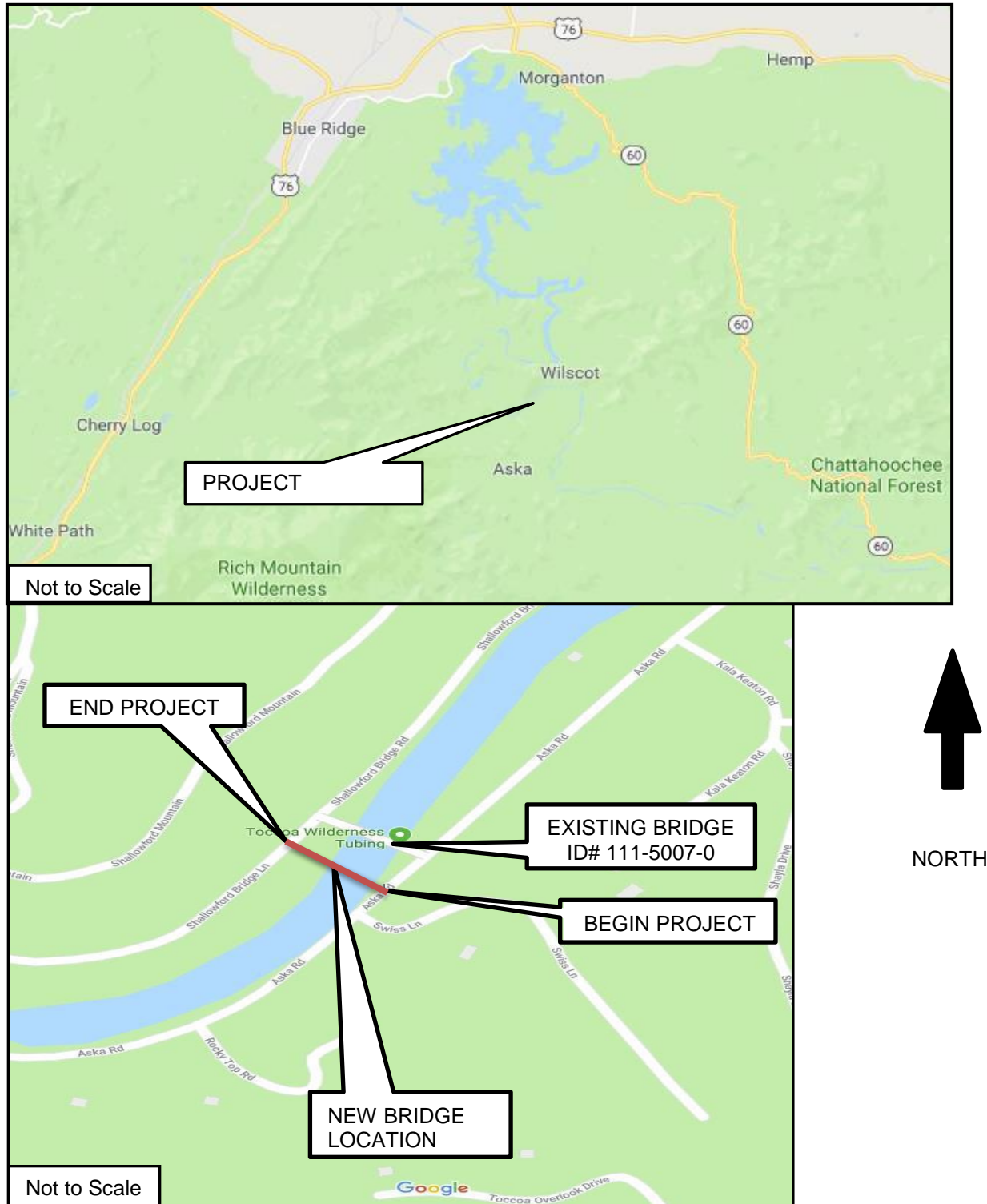
June 9, 2020

(To be entered by State Conceptual Design
Group Manager)**Attachments:**

- Sketch Map
- Notice of Location and Design Approval

County: Fannin

SKETCH MAP



**CR 38/SHALLOWFORD BRIDGE ROAD @ TOCCOA RIVER S OF
MORGANTON in FANNIN COUNTY, GA**

PI # 0014167

NOTICE OF LOCATION AND DESIGN APPROVAL

P. I. 0014167 FANNIN COUNTY

Notice is hereby given in compliance with Georgia Code 22-2-109 and 32-3-5 that the Georgia Department of Transportation has approved the Location and Design of this project.

The date of location and design approval is: June 9, 2020.

The project would replace the existing truss bridge on CR 38 (Shallowford Bridge Road) over Toccoa River, a total distance of .09 miles. The project is located in the 9th congressional district, Georgia Militia District 844, and Fannin County.

The project begins at the intersection of CR 38 and Shallowford Bridge Lane and continues east approximately 252 feet to the intersection with Aska Road. Total project length is approximately 252 feet. This project will replace the existing bridge with a new truss bridge offset approximately 150 feet south (downstream) of the existing bridge; and therefore, will not require an offsite detour. The proposed bridge typical section consists of two 9-foot lanes with a 2-foot shoulder on the left side and an 11-foot 6-inch shoulder (10-foot sidewalk on the right side). The Benton MacKaye Trail crosses the existing bridge and will be relocated to the new bridge. Construction duration is expected to be 15 months.

Drawings or maps or plats of the proposed project, as approved, are on file and are available for public inspection at the Georgia Department of Transportation:

Jordan S Clement
District 6, Area 2
jclement@dot.ga.gov
1313 North Tibbs Road
Dalton, GA 30720
(706) 272-2211

Any interested party may obtain a copy of the drawings or maps or plats or portions thereof by paying a nominal fee and requesting in writing to:

Kimberly W. Nesbitt, State Program Delivery Administrator
Office of Program Delivery
Attn: Linnon Nesbitt
lnesbitt@dot.ga.gov
600 West Peachtree St. N.W. 25th Floor
Atlanta, GA 30308
(770) 800-1590

Any written request or communication in reference to this project or notice SHOULD include the Project and P. I. Numbers as noted at the top of this notice.